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NAKASONE TO STRESS BILATERAL TIES IN U.S. VISIT

OW281301 Tokyo KYODO in English 1254 GMT 28 Apr 87

[Text] Tokyo, April 28 KYODO -- Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone will appeal for eternal friendship between the United States and Japan in a speech that he is expected to deliver during his upcoming trip to Washington, it was learned Tuesday.

According to sources who have access to a draft of the speech, Nakasone is expected to play up the importance of friendship between the two allies, warning that damage to bilateral ties could threaten the peace and security of the world.

The speech, to be delivered at the National Press Club on Friday in Washington, is expected to be the highlight on Nakasone's April 29-May [5] visit to the United States.

Nakasone will likely emphasize the importance of Japanese-American ties on political and economic relations in the world, and will outline specific policies for resolving economic friction that has strained bilateral relations, the sources told KYODO NEWS SERVICE.

Nakasone plans to soften U.S. discontent over Japan's trade practices by outlining the economic and trade policies that the Japanese Government plans to take and by appealing to ties of friendship between the two countries.

"Our two countries have so far overcome many difficulties," Nakasone will tell the Americans, the sources said.

The sources said Nakasone will try to spell out Japan's policies in specific and concrete ways and will avoid generalities.

Nakasone is expected to point out that the relations of cooperation and interdependence between the two countries are a matter of life and death for Japan, the sources said.

He is also expected to tell the Americans that he is aware of the severe U.S. attitude toward Japan in making the upcoming trip, his fifth since coming to office in 1982.

"I want to show (the world) that our two countries are cooperating for the sake of friendship and peace in the world," Nakasone will say according to the draft speech.

The economic and trade policies that Nakasone plans to outline in the speech include domestic expansion, government procurement, settlement of unspecified bilateral issues and Japan's increased economic aid to the developing world, the sources said.

In spelling out Japan's aid policy, the draft speech declares that the Japanese Government will advance the release of already committed funds and extend 25-30 billion dollars in untied loans to the Third World through Japan's Export-Import Bank.

Nakasone is also expected to refer to the U.S. as a great multiracial society and appeal to the Americans to reduce their budget and trade deficits and make efforts to recover American industrial competitiveness.

## Nakasone Departs For U.S.

OW290719 Tokyo KYODO in English 0712 GMT 29 Apr 87

[Text] Tokyo, April 29 KYODO -- Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone left for Washington Wednesday for talks with President Ronald Reagan.

Nakasone will meet with Reagan twice and discuss ways to solve U.S. trade deficits of some 58.6 billion dollars last year and American claims about closed Japanese markets involving semiconductors, telecommunications and agriculture.

He also wants to reconfirm with Reagan the importance of good overall Japan-U.S. relations and to discuss a cut in intermediate-range nuclear forces (INF), regional problems in Asia and international currency stabilization.

Nakasone will also meet Secretary of State George Shultz, Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger and congressional leaders.

The prime Minister will deliver a speech at the National Press Club and pay tribute at the Arlington National Cemetery. He will return home May 5.

Before departing for Washington, Nakasone told reporters at his official residence he wants to solve as many problems as possible during his stay there.

"I will strongly ask the United States to solve what it should. I will say what I should say and hear what I should hear," he said.

Nakasone said topics to be discussed with Reagan will also include a U.S.-Soviet summit conference, revitalization of the world economy and retaliatory U.S. sanctions against Japan over semiconductors.

EMERGENCY IMPORT LIST OF U.S. GOODS COMPILED

OW290845 Tokyo KYODO in English 0834 GMT 29 Apr 87

[Text] Tokyo, April 29 KYODO -- The government Wednesday started drafting a list of more than 1 billion dollars worth of U.S. goods to be purchased by government agencies on an emergency basis as a measure to help defuse bilateral trade friction, government officials said.

According to the officials, the Finance Ministry and other government ministries and agencies will complete the list after Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone returns home May 5 after holding "summit" meetings with U.S. President Ronald Reagan in Washington Thursday and Friday.

Nakasone will formally announce during his meetings with Reagan that the Japanese Government is ready to make the "emergency imports."

The government has already decided to include two to three supercomputers and three to five marine

Besides these, they said, the list may also include such items as natural resources survey ships and a variety of research equipment to be bought by government-affiliated research institutions.

Funds needed for the projected "emergency imports" will be earmarked in a large-scale supplementary budget to be compiled this summer or later, the officials said.

Because the proposed 1 billion dollars is a big sum, it may be necessary for the government to earmark part of the necessary funds in the full budget for fiscal 1988, which begins in April next year, they added.

The idea of Japan making the emergency imports was informally proposed to U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz by Shintaro Abe, chairman of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party, when he visited Washington recently to pave the way for the Reagan-Nakasone meetings, according to the officials.

Nakasone left here for the U.S. capital Wednesday afternoon.

#### OFFICIAL DEPARTS FOR ECONOMIC TALKS IN PRC

OW280559 Tokyo KYODO in English 0541 GMT 28 Apr 87

[Text] Tokyo, April 28 KYODO -- Shinji Fukukawa, vice minister of international trade and industry, left Tokyo Tuesday on an eight-day visit to China for talks with Chinese counterparts on [the] possibility of furthering bilateral economic relations.

He will attend the two-day meeting of higher Japanese and Chinese officials, opening Wednesday in Beijing, to discuss how bilateral economic and technical collaborations can be further enhanced.

His talks with the Chinese officials, including Lu Dong, minister of the State Economic Commission, will also review China's industrial policy, according to officials at the Ministry of International Trade and Industry.

Fukukawa will also visit local cities, including Shanghai, before returning home on May 5, they added.

#### TAKESHITA PLANS TO RUN FOR LDP PRESIDENCY

OW241115 Tokyo KYODO in English 1102 GMT 24 Apr 87

[Text] Tokyo, April 24 KYODO -- Noboru Takeshita, a likely successor to Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone, has moved beyond shadow boxing to throw his hat into the Liberal Democratic Party's presidential race, scheduled for later this year.

Scoffing at speculation he cannot run in the race unless the LDP's largest faction, to which he belongs, officially endorses his candidacy, Takes

An English teacher in Shimane Prefecture before entering local politics, Takeshita, 63, is regarded as one of three powerful candidates with the potential to succeed Nakasone whose term as LDP president expires October 30.

The two others are Finance Minister Kiichi Miyazawa, 67, and LDP Executive Council Chairman Shintaro Abe, 62.

Takeshita formed the "Soseikai" group shortly before his boss, former Prime Minister Kakuei Tanaka, suffered a stroke in February 1985. The Tanaka faction has some 140 Diet members.

Although Takeshita has garnered support from around two-thirds of the faction members, he has delayed his candidacy announcement due to an intrafactional feud with former party Vice President Susumu Nikaido who nominally heads the faction, political analysts said.

In the new book, Takeshita stopped short of saying when he will make an announcement to run in the race, saying: "For the time being I must exert all my efforts to dealing with Diet business."

The Diet has been in trouble over the 5 percent sales tax proposed by the administration of Prime Minister Nakasone as part of his plan to overhaul Japan's postwar tax system.

Takeshita plans a fund-raising party at a Tokyo hotel on May 21.

An LDP president automatically becomes prime minister because of the party's majority in both houses of the Diet.

#### JAPAN, USSR COOPERATE ON NUCLEAR POWER SAFETY

OW271205 Tokyo NHK Television Network in Japanese 1000 GMT 26 Apr 87

[Text] One year has elapsed since the Chernobyl nuclear power plant accident. Meanwhile, the Japan Atomic Industrial Forum [JAIF], representing utility companies and manufacturers of nuclear power equipment, and the Soviet Ministry of Nuclear Power, created after the Chernobyl accident, have agreed to promote cooperation between them to ensure safety.

The Soviet Union had been developing its nuclear power industry on a dual basis, involving both the graphite type and the light water reactor type plant, the latter being the one used in Japan and the United States. After the accident, however, the Soviet Union decided to shift emphasis to the latter type, and the above Japan-USSR agreement, concluded in response to a Soviet proposal, focuses on technological cooperation in light water reactor operations.

As for specific areas of cooperation, the two sides have so far selected two areas -- technology to monitor the orderly operation of major equipment, and technology for introducing robots to operate and monitor atomic reactors.

NORTH-SOUTH ECONOMIC TALKS DELEGATE ON DIALOGUE

SK290125 Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 2200 GMT 28 Apr 87

[Statement by Yi Song-nok, senior delegate to North-South economic talks, issued on 28 April in Pyongyang -- read by announcer]

[Text] As known, our side has made every possible and sincere effort to resume the suspended North-South talks, including the economic talks, and to make a breakthrough toward peace and peaceful reunification.

In particular, we proposed simultaneously holding high-level North-South political and military talks and the existing dialogue, including economic talks, taking the South's position into consideration. Following this, on 30 March we proposed holding ministerial-level preliminary talks for North-South prime ministerial-level talks. All this was an expression of the greatest magnanimity and sincerity rendered by our side to achieve dialogue. However, in spite of such repeated magnanimity and sincerity, the South Korean ruling clique, in its letter of 10 April, stubbornly insisted again on so-called talks on water resources in connection with construction of the Kungangsan power station and on resumption of the existing dialogue as a precondition. Thus, it blocked not only the talks designed to eliminate the acute political and military confrontation between the North and South but also various other talks, including economic talks, that have been suspended.

In this connection, on 24 April the spokesman of the State Administration Council held a press conference with domestic and foreign reporters and announced a statement denouncing the anti-national and anti-dialogue act of the South Korean authorities, who undisguisedly challenged the unanimous aspirations and desires of all Korean and the world's peace-loving people who want relaxation of tension, dialogue, and peaceful reunification in our country.

Considering the fact that the South Korean ruling clique recklessly put forward a precondition and refused dialogue, I recognize our principled position clarified in the statement by the spokesman of the State Administration Council as a timely and just step.

However, on 27 April, the South Korean authorities made a so-called statement to the North and presented sophisms, stubbornly insisting on previous assertions while slandering our just step. Thus, they declared their intention not to bring about any change in their position toward North-South dialogue. This is another criminal act committed against the people, who hope for dialogue and relaxation of tension.

As for the resumption of the existing dialogue babbled about by the South Korean ruling clique, it is only a preposterous assertion which can be made only by those who have no reason. As recognized by the people at home and abroad, the most urgent question which should be resolved before all other questions in our country today is to eliminate the urgent state of political confrontation between the North and South and the danger of war.

Today due to the maneuvers of confrontation which the South Korean ruling

If a general war breaks out due to failure to eliminate the current North-South political and military confrontation, which has reached a very grave stage, it will be too late to make a remark about economic cooperation and economic exchanges and our country will suffer irrevocable calamities. Even the South Korean ruling clique cannot deny this. In fact, it is clear to everyone that the North-South economic talks are talks to discuss and resolve economic issues between the North and South, and political and military issues cannot be discussed nor resolved in these talks.

Today the South Korean ruling clique is raving about resumption of the economic talks whenever it finds an opportunity. However, this is not because it is interested in the economic talks. The South Korean authorities came to the table for economic talks in 1984. However, they were not interested in economic talks from outset; they only maneuvered to disturb the progress of the talks in every way. The South Korean side insisted on implementing partial exchanges while opposing economic collaboration in accordance with their theory of exchange first and collaboration later, thus creating obstacles to the talks.

Even after the agreement on establishing and operating the North-South joint committee for economic cooperation headed by a vice prime ministerial-level official, the South Korean side deliberately delayed the establishment of the committee by presenting various things which did not constitute problems.

That the South Korean ruling clique put forward the resumption of the existing dialogue, including economic talks, as a precondition is nothing but an excuse for disregarding the high-level political and military talks we proposed, and for not resuming any dialogues, including the economic talks.

However, no matter what the excuse, the South Korean ruling clique cannot evade responsibility for suspending dialogue, including economic talks, that made a good start and good progress, and for making the resumption of the talks impossible. The South Korean ruling clique should be held totally responsible for all consequences arising from blocking the realization of high-level of North-South political and military talks and the premiers' talks on the pretext of a precondition.

#### ADMINISTRATION COUNCIL HOLDS PRESS CONFERENCE

SK281414 Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 1300 GMT 24 Apr 87

[Text] The DPRK State Administration Council held a press conference with domestic and foreign reporters today at the People's Palace of Culture to express the principled stand of our side in connection with the fact that the South Korean side took the wrong attitude of rejecting North-South dialogue in an overall manner.

The portrait of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song was respectfully placed in front of the hall where the press conference was held.

Reporters from NODONG SINMUN, KCNA, the Korean Central Broadcasting Committee, and other publication and press organizations in Pyongyang; reporters of various countries staying in our country; and publication-related functionaries of embassies of various countries were present

Chong Mun-san, director of the Secretariat of the DPRK State Administration Council, spoke at the press conference. After pointing out that the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song advanced a proposal for holding high-level North-South political and military talks during the historical policy speech made at the first session of the Eighth SPA out of a sacred desire to bring an end to political and military confrontation between the North and the South and to resume the suspended multifaceted dialogue, he said: To realize the proposal for holding high-level North-South political and military talks advanced by the great leader, the premier of the DPRK State Administration Council and the minister of People's Armed Forces sent to the South Korean side letters containing concrete proposals on many occasions this year. However, the South Korean side not only every time insincerely dealt with the repeated proposals of our side which contain sincerity, generosity, and concessions, but also consequently took the position of rejecting our proposals for talks in an overall manner. The DPRK State Administration Council decided to release a statement to express our principled stand in connection with this attitude of the South Korean side.

Under authorization, he read the text of the statement of the spokesman for the DPRK State Administration Council.

After this, he answered questions put by reporters.

The NODONG SINMUN reporter asked: I think that the statement of the spokesman of the State Administration Council which was just announced is our principled stand on the South Korean side's attitude and position of rejecting dialogue. What will we do with the proposal for holding high-level North-South political and military talks and the proposal for holding preliminary talks for prime ministerial talks in the future?

He answered: Bringing an end to acute political and military confrontation between the North and the South through dialogue is our consistent position. Since our proposals for talks are also effective in the future, we will continuously watch the attitude of the South Korean side.

The Korean Central Broadcasting Committee reporter asked: What do you think are the prospects for North-South dialogue?

He answered: Whether or not North-South dialogue will be held in the future entirely depends on the attitude of the South Korean side. We always have our doors to dialogue open.

#### DPRK EMBASSY IN PRC HOLDS TALKS PRESS CONFERENCE

SK290426 Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 1300 GMT 25 Apr 87

[Text] A press conference was held at the embassy of our country in China yesterday in connection with the statement of the spokesman of the DPRK State Administration Council.

A portrait of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song was respectfully placed in front of the site where the press conference was held.

At the press conference, Kim Chang-kyu, minister-councilor of our embassy in China, spoke. Saying that the government of our republic, with an earnest desire to alleviate tension on the Korean peninsula, recently put forth various rational proposals and made all sincere efforts for North-South dialogue, but the South Korea puppets continued to turn their faces away from our rational, fair, and just proposals and finally adopted a very insincere attitude even by rejecting preliminary talks to arrange premiers' talks, he noted that the two contradictory stands and attitudes which the North and South have adopted over the past 4 months in connection with the question of dialogue clearly show who desires dialogue and the alleviation of tension and who seeks confrontation and war on the Korean peninsula.

In connection with the wrong attitude which the South Korean side adopted by flatly rejecting North-South dialogue, he noted the details of the statement of the spokesman of the DPRK State Administration Council released yesterday.

In conclusion, expressing gratitude to the governments and peoples of China and many other countries for their active support and encouragement for the just struggle of our party and people to defend peace in Asia and the world and achieve the independent and peaceful reunification of the fatherland, he expressed his conviction that reporters, through their writing activities, will extend even more active support and solidarity to our people's just struggle.

Then he answered the reporters' questions.

#### MINJU CHOSON DENOUNCES SOUTH'S RESERVE FORCES

SK280603 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0544 GMT 28 Apr 87

[Text] Pyongyang April 28 (KCNA) -- MINJU CHOSON today denounces the Chon Tu-hwan clique for stepping up the conversion of the "Homeland Defence Reserve Forces" into a combat force.

Recalling that the Chon Tu-hwan clique revised the so-called "enforcement ordinance of the law on the establishment of the Homeland Defence Reserve Forces" to change the name of the "wartime reserve force" to "first combat force" and that of the "ordinary reserve force" to "regional combat force" from May first, the paper says in a signed commentary: This is a criminal step for completing the conversion of the "Homeland Defence Reserve Forces" into a combat force.

The paper goes on:

The changing of the name of the "reserve forces" itself to "combat force" is part of the puppets' criminal moves to turn the civilian armed forces into a full-fledged combat force of arms and mobilize all the human resources of South Korea in preparations for a war against the North.

This clearly shows how madly the Chon Tu-hwan clique is running about to ignite a new war in Korea, zealously backing the U.S. imperial

KIM CHONG-IL ART TEAMS CONDUCT PROPAGANDA

SK250000 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1517 GMT 24 Apr 87

[Text] Pyongyang April 24 (KCNA) -- Provincial art propaganda teams are now going out to major objects of construction and People's Army units and conducting a brisk propaganda through art performances.

They put on stage such works as the agitation and chorus "Under the Banner of the Party", the intermezzos "The Work Style of a Pit Chief", the solo play and pangebang "The Farm's Field Is My Field" and the dialogue-poem "Great Grit".

All the items are run through with strongly-appealing propaganda and agitation with which members of the art propaganda teams go out to the vibrant reality seething with grand construction of socialism and powerfully rouse the masses to production and construction.

Dear Comrade Kim Chong-il recently saw a performance of the art propaganda teams and expressed deep satisfaction over their activities and highly estimated their successes in the performance.

He formed the mobile art propaganda teams in January 1973 and indicated the direction of their activity and contents of their work.

The art propaganda teams have been organized in Pyongyang, all provinces and major industrial districts such as Sinpo and Tokchon.

The art propaganda teams each consisting of over 50 men of the creative staff and story-telling, vocal music, dance and instrumental sections are art organizations which go round production and construction sites and conduct propaganda and agitation activities with mobile art pieces.

They conducted propaganda through stage art at the construction sites of the West Sea Barrage, the West Sea district tideland reclamation site, the Kim Chaek iron and steel complex and grand monumental creations to inspire working people to feats in the past period.

Over the last three months they carried out 1,600 rounds of economic agitation and 340 on-spot stage performances.

EVENTS MARKING KPA ANNIVERSARY CONTINUEMAC Wreath Laying

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Also participating was Major General Yi Tae-ho, senior member of our side to the MAC.

After laying the wreaths, the participants in the ceremony observed a moment of silence in memory of the fallen KPA fighters.

Those who participated in today's economy also laid wreaths at the tomb of the fallen CPV fighters.

#### Yi Tae-ho Hosts MAC Banquet

SK290329 Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 1300 GMT 24 Apr 87

[Text] Marking the 55th anniversary of the founding of the heroic KPA, Major General Yi Tae-ho, senior member of our side to the MAC, arranged a film show and small banquet on 23 April.

Invited were member of the Chinese People's Volunteers [CPV] of the Korean-Chinese side to the MAC, members of the CPV Liaison Department, Czechoslovak, Polish, Swiss, and Swedish commission members of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission and others.

Those participating in the event viewed a Korean art film. A small banquet followed this. Speeches were delivered in the small banquet, which was held in a friendly atmosphere.

#### Beijing Embassy Banquet

SK290357 Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 2100 GMT 25 Apr 87

[Text] On the occasion of the 55th anniversary of the founding of the heroic KPA, on 24 April the Embassy of our country in China arranged a banquet.

Respectfully placed in front of the banquet hall was a portrait of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song. Invited to the banquet were Yang Dezhi, member of the CPC Central Committee Political Bureau and chief of the General Staff of the Chinese People's Liberation Army [PLA]; Qin Jiwei, alternate member of the CPC Central Committee Political Bureau and commander of the PLA's Beijing Military Region; Xu Xin, deputy chief of the General Staff of the PLA; Zhou Keyu, deputy director of the PLA General Political Department, and Liu Shuqing, vice Chinese foreign minister, and other personages concerned, as well as military attaches from many foreign embassies in China.

At the banquet, Chong To-chol, military attache in our embassy in China, and Xu Xin, deputy chief of the General Staff, made speeches.

In his speech, the deputy chief of the General Staff said that

Stressing that achieving the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea is an unanimous and common aspiration of all Korean people, he pointed out that the Korean party and government have made consistent efforts for the independent and peaceful reunification of their fatherland. They have made a series of reasonable proposals and measures, and such proposals and measures will undoubtedly play an active role in easing tension on the Korean peninsula and accelerating the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea.

He said that the PLA, together with the Chinese people, will tenaciously support the just position of the Korean party and government to achieve the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea, and sincerely hope that the cause of Korea's reunification is achieved at an early date.

Concerning the friendly relations between the two countries, he stressed that the peoples and armies of China and Korea forged deep and warm militant friendship while sharing their destinies amid the long common struggle and that they can further consolidate and develop this friendship, which overcame all historical trials, under the warm care of the leaders of two countries.

He said that the peoples and armies of the two countries will tenaciously support and help each other and advance together in the future.

The attendants of the banquet toasted to the long life of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song; to the long life of dear leader Comrade Kim Chong-il; and to long lives of the respected Comrades Zhao Ziyang and Deng Xiaoping. The banquet proceeded in an amicable and friendly atmosphere.

#### BRIEFS

GIFT FROM MALAYSIA -- Beijing, April 22 (KCNA) -- A gift came to President Kim Il-song from Malaysian Prime Minister Datuk Sri Mahathir bin Mohamed on the occasion of his 75th birthday. The gift was handed to an official concerned of the Korean embassy in Beijing on April 21 by an official of the Malaysian embassy there. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0456 GMT 22 Apr 87 SK]

DELEGATIONS ARRIVE, DEPART -- Pyongyang April 24 (KCNA) -- A Pyongyang school children's art troupe left here for Thailand on April 23. The delegation of the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea which had visited the GDR, Cuba, Yugoslavia and the Soviet Union and the delegation of the State General Bureau of Tourism which had visited Poland and the Soviet Union returned home on the same day. A delegation of the Information Department of the Soviet Foreign Ministry headed by its head Gennadiy Gerasimov and a delegation of the Communist Youth League of Denmark headed by its chairman Ole Jensen arrived here yesterday. Earlier, on April 22 the delegation of the Malian People's Democratic Union and the director of the Peruvian State Mineral Company Ltd. and his party left for home. The delegation of the Supporters' Association of the Kungangsan Opera Troupe of the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan, the director of the Kuwol Sobang Publishing House, the delegation of the Unsan Mine Development Company Ltd. in Japan, and the secretary general of the International Liaison Committee for

NKDP'S YI CHOL-SUNG, AMBASSADOR LILLEY MEET

SK290155 Seoul YONHAP in English 0137 GMT 29 Apr 87

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IOC President Juan Antonio Samaranch and other board members responded affirmatively to South Korea's definitive position that no further changes should be made in the Olympic plans, with the opening of the Seoul Games just 500 days away, Kim said.

A Soviet Executive Board member requested that instead of hosting the preliminary soccer matches, North Korea be given another event because Pyongyang was disqualified from staging the event after boycotting the preliminary soccer tournament for an Asian region, held earlier. His request received an icy reaction from South Korean delegates who said that sport events other than those included in the IOC compromise should not be discussed at the meeting, Kim said. The Soviet board member did not object to South Korea's insistence that the matter not be discussed, and he "sympathized with the South Korean delegation," Kim added.

#### ROK TO CONSULT WITH IMF ON EXCHANGE RATE POLICY

SK290131 Seoul YONHAP in English 0101 GMT 29 Apr 87

[Text] Seoul, April 29 (YONHAP) -- The Korean Government plans to deliberate closely with the International Monetary Fund over its exchange rate policy, the Finance Minister said Wednesday. Through consultations with the IMF, a multilateral exchange rate surveillance organization, Korea expects its exchange rates to be determined by reflecting all aspects of the economy, including foreign debts, prices and industrial structure, officials said.

The foreign exchange rates can hardly be determined in a reasonable fashion, if it is determined in consultation with only specific country by weighing some limited aspects like the issue of trade surplus, they said.

Korean and U.S. officials have held talks to discuss the exchange rate issue in an effort to reduce Korea's trade surplus with the United States. The United States reportedly views the government's new policy direction as more desirable than its past policy, the officials added. Meanwhile, the government plans to hold exchange rate talks with IMF officials scheduled to come to Seoul in mid-May.

#### ROK TO IMPLEMENT LOCAL AUTONOMY SYSTEM NEXT YEAR

SK290037 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 29 Apr 87 p 2

[Text] The ruling Democratic Justice Party plans to implement the local autonomy system across the nation by the middle of next year on a gradual basis, it was learned yesterday.

According to a tentative plan of the ruling party, the initial introduction of the local self-government formula will be made in January when elections to form local assemblies will be held in "some" cities, counties and wards of special cities.

Leading officials of the party and the administration debated the difference yesterday to no avail.

Meanwhile, they also discussed how to cope with an extraordinary session of the National Assembly to open May 4, where the ruling party will face the first challenge of a new opposition party.

Participants in the consultation included Prime Minister No Sin-yong and Home Minister Chong Ho-yong from the administration and Chairman No Tae-u, Secretary General Yi Chun-ku and floor leader Yi Han-tong from the ruling party.

The senior officials of the ruling camp discussed countermeasures against opposition offensives which will be centered on the flight of capital by a shipping magnate, and violent acts by unidentified mobsters at the inaugural district conventions of the projected Party for Reunification and Democracy.

The nascent major opposition party led by Kim Yong-sam and Kim Tae-chung is also expected to attack the government for the postponing a constitutional amendment declared on April 13.

Party sources said that senior officials of the Cabinet and party exchanged views on how to meet public repercussions, particularly among Catholic circles and intellectuals, against the President's decision to withhold the amendment until after 1988.

The protests intensified with more Catholic priests joining in a hunger strike, and the recent announcement by dozens of Korea University professors, calling for the resumption of constitutional debates.

#### PRD TO ADOPT SINGLE LEADERSHIP SYSTEM

SK290031 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 29 Apr 87 p 2

[Text] The "Party for Reunification and Democracy" [PRD] will adopt a type of leadership in which the party president makes the decisions about party affairs after "consultation" with vice presidents.

It indicates there has been a concession from the Kim Tae-chung faction, which has called for a "collective leadership system."

Instead, the Kim Tae-chung faction will fill four of the seven vice president positions in the new party, informed sources said yesterday.

Kim Yong-sam who leads the Sangdo-dong faction has maintained that powerful leadership by a single man is required for the PRD in struggling for democracy and swiftly countering the policies of the ruling camp.

Kim is to become the president of the PRD at the inaugural convention of the party, slated for Friday.

The most likely candidates are Choe Hyong-u, Pak Yong-man and Pak Il from the Sangdo-dong faction and Yi Chung-chae, Yang Sun-chik, No Sung-hwan and Yi Yong-hui from the Tonggyo-dong group.

The two groups also agreed that the PRD should shelve the nomination of vice speaker of the National Assembly, a post which is allotted to the major opposition party, during an extra House session to be held early next month.

Party sources revealed that the leading promoters of the party are worried that the ruling party may not cooperate in allowing the election of the PRD nominee in a vote at the Assembly as it did in October, 1985.

They said that the number of key officers of the PRD will be eight, four from each faction. They will be also hand-picked by the two Kims.

It is reported that Rep. Kim Yong-pae has been designated as secretary general, and Rep. Kim Hyon-kyu as floor leader. For the post of chief policy-maker Reps. Ho Kyong-man and Pak Chan-chong are vying.

Rep. Yu Chae-yon, former secretary general of the NDP [New Korea Democratic Party], is a hopeful for the position of chairman of the national convention of the PRD, and Rep. Kim Su-han, former NDP vice president, for the chairmanship of the Central Committee.

#### SONG HYON-SOP REVERSES PLAN TO JOIN PRD

SK280039 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 28 Apr 87 p 2

[Text] Rep. Song Hyon-sop yesterday reversed his earlier plan to join the nascent opposition Party for Reunification and Democracy [PRD] in order to remain independent.

Song's secession from the PRD brought the total number of PRD lawmakers to 68. He bolted from the New Korea Democratic Party on April 8 to promote the new opposition party now in the making under the leadership of Kim Yong-sam and Kim Tae-chung.

#### THIRD GENERATION PARTY MEMBERS ON HUNGER STRIKE

SK290033 Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 29 Apr 87 p 2

[Text] Han Yong-su, president of the Third Generation Party, and 24 chiefs of its local chapters yesterday staged a hunger strike at their party headquarters in Yoi-do in protest against the government's decision to defer the constitutional revision until after the Olympics next year.

BATMONH, SODNOM GREET DRA LEADERS ON NATIONAL DAY

OW271445 Ulaanbaatar MONTSAME in Russian 1345 GMT 25 Apr 87

[Text] Ulaanbaatar, 25 Apr (MONTSAME) -- J. Batmonh, general secretary of the MPRP Central committee and chairman of the MPR People's Great Hural Presidium, and D. Sodnom, chairman of the MPR Council of Ministers, today sent a congratulatory telegram to the party and government leaders of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan (DRA) on the occasion of the ninth anniversary of the April Revolution, the DRA national day.

The telegram notes that the Mongolian people are following closely and sincerely gladdened by how the Afghan people, under the guidance of the People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan, are laboring selflessly to create the basis for a new society based on the principles of justice, equality, democracy, and progress.

The telegram expresses confidence that the friendly relations between the two fraternal countries and peoples will continue to strengthen and develop in the spirit of the friendship and cooperation treaty between the MPR and DRA.

The Mongolian leaders wished the DRA party and government leaders and the fraternal Afghan people great successes in the cause of political normalization of the situation around Afghanistan, achievement of national reconciliation in the country, and strengthening and deepening of the achievements of the April Revolution.

PELJEE LEAVES FOR MOSCOW CEMA MEETING 25 APRIL

OW271438 Ulaanbaatar MONTSAME in Russian 1348 GMT 25 Apr 87

[Text] Ulaanbaatar, 25 Apr (MONTSAME) -- A delegation headed by M. Peljee, deputy chairman of the MPR Council of Ministers and MPR permanent representative in CEMA, left Ulaanbaatar today for Moscow to take part in the work of the meeting of permanent representatives of the CEMA member countries.

MPRP WORKERS DELEGATION LEAVES FOR VIETNAM

OW220758 Ulaanbaatar MONTSAME in Russian 1359 GMT 21 Apr 87

[Text] Ulaanbaatar, 21 Apr (MONTSAME) -- A delegation of MPRP workers, headed by G. Zinamyadar, deputy chief of an MPRP department, left here today for Hanoi in accordance with a plan for cooperation between the MPRP and the CPV.

TV STATIONS ASKED TO 'CENSOR' PROTEST REPORTS

BK260330 Bangkok THE NATION in English 26 Apr 87 p 1

[Text] Chonburi -- PM's Secretary General Prasong Sunsiri said yesterday that he had asked various TV stations to censor clips of the scenes on the verbal abuses against the prime minister by a group of rowdy people at Parliament last Wednesday because the screening could further aggravate the political situation.

Prasong summoned TV news editors to an urgent meeting at the Government House immediately after a group of unidentified men shouted obscenities at Premier Prem Tinsulanon when he emerged from the main Parliament building after the no-confidence motion was derailed in the House.

Prasong said he sought the cooperation from editors of the TV stations to censor the clips of this particular incident to "cool down" the political temperature.

He said police are investigating the incident and would take legal action against the hecklers and people who were responsible for organizing the noisy disturbance.

"We have obtained some clear evidence including some photographs on this case," Prasong said.

Prachakon Thai leader Samak Sunthorawet has denied any involvement in this case. Interior Permanent Secretary Phisan Munlasatsathon said police are probing the incident which was the third time that the premier had come under such public verbal attack.

Phisan said: "We should also map out additional precautionary measures or else someone may just attack the prime minister physically next time."

He said the screening process for people entering the Parliament building should be tightened.

ARMY RADIO CITES CHAWALIT ARTICLE ON SOLDIERS' ROLE

BK281254 Bangkok First Army Division Radio in Thai 2300 GMT 26 Apr 87

["Sayamanusati" program]

[Excerpts] Good morning dear listeners: When General Chawalit Yongchaiyut, the Army commander in chief, was the Army deputy chief of staff holding the rank of lieutenant general, he wrote an article on the role of soldiers in national political stability published in the book "Security Psychology" in 1984. If you have read this article, you will admit that his article is still suitable in the country's present situation. The "Sayamanusati"

In particular, "political stability" should take into account the different systems in the society as a major factor.

The role of soldiers in political stability can be explained as follows: In liberal, underdeveloped, and developing countries where the political system is dictatorship or semi-democracy, soldiers or the military will have a greater role in the political stability of the country, no matter if the role is right or wrong.

They have firm intentions to rectify all wrongs and will uphold and maintain the democratic administrative system with the king as head of state forever, safeguard national independence and sovereignty with their lives, and uphold religion and the king above everything.

The public is hereby informed.

GENERAL CRITICIZES GROUP SUPPORTING 'REVOLUTION'

BK270142 Bangkok THE NATION in English 27 Apr 87 p 1

[Text] The movement which claims to support the "revolution concept" of Army Commander-in-Chief Gen Chawalit Yongchaiyut is engaging in activities designed to "destroy" the military's image, Assistant Army Commander-in-Chief Gen Phichit Kunlawanit said last night.

Gen Phichit said Gen Chawalit has nothing to do with the so-called "People's Movement in Support of Gen Chawalit's Patiwat (Revolution) Concept" which is planning a public meeting in Bangkok tomorrow.

The army is keeping a close watch on the activities of the group, Gen Phichit said.

"I want to warn members of this group against trying to destroy the army's image. Otherwise, they will face stern action," he said and urged the public to monitor the activities of this group "because it may be detrimental to the national security."

Members of the group, who claim to represent people from all sectors in the society, will hold the meetings at the Asia Hotel tomorrow and Wednesday.

Gen Chawalit yesterday denied any involvement with the group and told reporters he had rejected its invitation to join the meeting.

When asked to comment on the activities of the group, Gen Chawalit said: "If the meeting is constructive and goes on within the framework of the law, it is good. But it will be wrong if it has hidden motives."

The group said in leaflets distributed in Bangkok that it is seeking ways to "democratize" the Thai political system through legislative process. It also advocates a move to revamp the Senate to make it truly represent people from all walks of life.

The group is believed to be a brainchild of Prasoet Sapsunthon, a former senior member of the Communist Party of Thailand (CPT) and who at one stage was reported to be in close association with Gen Chawalit. But the army chief has denied he knows Prasoet personally.

Meanwhile, a highly-placed army source told reporters yesterday that apart from tomorrow's meeting of the group, some former leading CPT members who have surrendered to the authorities are also planning a separate secret meeting in Bangkok.

The source also said that Gen Chawalit has distanced himself from these former CPT members "though at one stage in the past he used these people to serve the army."

Meanwhile, an informed source in the organizing committee of tomorrow's meeting at the Asia Hotel told THE NATION that 2,000 people have been invited to attend.

Speaking on the eve of the movement's first meeting, at which organisers expect about 1,000 people from a cross section of society, Gen Chawalit was trying to allay concerns that the gathering had a degree of official backing.

"The army knew nothing of the movement," he stressed. "If the participants go against the law, then arrest them," he said.

Interior Minister Prachuap Suntharangkun said the group had the right to meet and that no legal action would be taken if the participants kept within the law.

"We'll have to wait and see if it is within the limits of the law and whether there's anything behind it," he said.

"If it leads to an undesirable system or a disturbance, the police will act," he said.

Special Branch Commander Maj-Gen Kasem Saengmit said it was expected that laws dealing with political parties, elections, and democracy and problems in economy, labour and foreign affairs would be discussed at today's meeting.

Among the groups likely to turn up, he said, were the Democratic Labour Party under Mr Prasoet, the Progressive Muslims under Anuwat Kosemuso, the Democratic Thais under Prasit Sisuwan, Thai Ruam Mit under Yongyut Pancharoen, Lawyers for Democracy and the Patriotic Thais.

These movements, which supported the Army chief's line of thinking in peaceful revolution, had met several times mainly at Suda Palace in Din Daeng.

Pol Maj-Gen Kasem said the participants would probably discuss national problems and try to formulate suggestions for the Government.

Several Cabinet ministers expressed concern at the gathering and said they knew nothing about it.

Deputy Prime Minister Phichai Rattakun said the meeting might puzzle the public.

PM's Office Minister Michai Ruchupan said a peaceful gathering — no matter what it may be called — is not against the law so long as it does not encourage wrongdoing.

It was reported that more than 1,000 people would turn up to form the council to support Gen Chawalit's revolutionary concept.

Mr Prasoet, speaking after a DLP meeting yesterday, said his party supported the meeting. However, he said the DLP was not the prime mover but had only made the booking at the hotel and would send representatives.

#### PARLIAMENT MEMBERS SUSPICIOUS OF 'PATIWAT' GROUP

BK280145 Bangkok BANGKOK POST in English 28 Apr 87 p 3

[Text] MPs yesterday questioned the motives of the "Revolutionary Council" organisers and asked if

"It might be just a play on words," Mr Chuan said. "The army chief defined a revolution as changing things for the better and, so, this group takes on the word."

Former labour leaders connected to Democratic Labour Party leader Prasert Sapsunthon, a communist defector and one-time adviser

Opposition and government MPs responded to the broadside by calling the council a group of jobless politicians who had been paid to please the Army Commander-in-Chief.

Former Kalasin MP Thawon Chayotha and ex-Yasothon MP Suthin Chaichit, claiming to be chairman and deputy chairman of the council, delivered the attack on the legislators.

The Social Action Party [SAP] leader said the country has Parliament and does not need any "illegal" institutions.

At SAP's weekly meeting yesterday, Kalasin MPs Wiwatanachai na Kalasin and Sangthong Sitham described the Asia Hotel meeting as a gathering of jobless politicians.

The council proposed land reform, making private family concerns into public companies or more direct control of private business by the State as ways to reach this goal. Co-operatives would be the State's key instrument in carrying out the policy.

-- Strengthening the baht by turning to the gold standard.

-- Free education and medical care for all people and a pension scheme for old or disabled people.

The manifesto declared that the national armed forces do not belong to any individual or group, but to all the people. It said the military must support the politics of the entire nation, not of any one person.

The sacred duty of the military, it said, is to preserve Thailand's independence and sovereignty.

It called for genuine neutrality on regional and global problems because such a policy had saved Thailand in the old days, and proposed that an international conference be held to recognise the country's neutrality.

#### SENATE PRESIDENT, PARLIAMENT PRESIDENT REELECTED

BK240810 Bangkok BANGKOK WORLD in English 24 Apr 87 p 1

[Excerpt] The Senate this morning re-elected Dr Ukrit Mongkhonawin as Senate Speaker and President of Parliament in a 30-minute deliberation that went uncontested.

Former Cabinet secretary Plang Michun and Deputy Army Commander-in-Chief Gen Phisit Hemabut were elected First and Second Deputy Senate Speakers respectively.

The re-election of Dr Ukrit was no surprise as he had been tipped to retain the position although Dr Praphat Uaichai earlier was described as a contender.

It will be his second full term as President of the appointed Upper House.

The Senate meeting was chaired by Senator Osot Kosin and was attended by 190 senators, including 66 of the 75 newly-elected senators.

Dr Ukrit's nomination was put forward by Senator Ms Bang-on Im-ocha and her proposal was supported with no objections.

The nominations of Mr Plang as First Senate Speaker by Lt Gen Watthanachai Wuthisiri and Gen Phisit as Second Deputy Senate Speaker were also accepted uncontested. [passage omitted]

COMMENTS ON PROPOSED VISITS OF VESSEY, CHILDRESS

BK271419 Hong Kong AFP in English 1412 GMT 27 Apr 87

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Thailand plans to purchase 50 to 60 Chinese T-69 tanks and a batch of antiaircraft guided missiles and artillery. According to information from military sources in Bangkok, Thailand plans to deploy most of the weapons from China along the Thai-Cambodian border to carry out military provocations and other activities.

#### STATE COUNCIL RAT

This came in a message of greetings sent by Nguyen Van Linh, general secretary of the Communist Party of Vietnam (CPV) Central Committee, to the sixth congress of the USSR-Vietnam Friendship Association currently held in Moscow.

The Vietnamese leader said that the CPV has painstakingly educated the Vietnamese people to foster pure international sentiments and consolidation and

COMMENTS ON AFGHAN-VIETNAMESE FRIENDSHIP

## Leaders Greet Revolution Anniversary

BK290135 Hanoi Domestic Service in Vietnamese 1430 GMT 26

He reviewed the achievements recorded by the Afghan people in all fields and their efforts to implement the policy of national reconciliation against the war schemes of the U.S. and other reactionary forces in the region.

Ambassador Karmand sincerely thanked the socialist countries and other progressive peoples the world over for their wholehearted support and assistance to Afghanistan. He expressed the wish of the Afghan party, state and

2. The Council of State heard the Council of Ministers' report on the policies and measures aimed at urgently, gradually, and firmly implementing the sixth party Central Committee's Second Plenum resolution to resolve pressing issues concerning distribution and circulation.
3. At the request of the Council of Ministers, the Council of State decided on a number of matters concerning legislative work to be presented to the first session of the Eighth

Electoral Unit 3, comprising Dien Ban and Duy Xuyen Districts and Hoi An City, elected three deputies for three seats from six candidates. The three successful candidates are:

1) Nguyen Thi Binh, deputy director of the CPV Central Committee International Department, vice chairman of the Afro-Asian Solidarity Committee, deputy to the Seventh National Assembly; 2) Le Cong

Pursuant to Article 53 of the Law on Election of National Assembly Deputies, Electoral Unit 2 must elect one more deputy to fill the two seats as prescribed. The supplementary election must be held 15 days at the latest after the election day of 19 April 1987.

Dac Lac Province

Electoral Unit 2, comprising An Nhon, Tay Son, Vinh Thanh, and Phu Cat Districts:

1) To Dinh Co, deputy secretary of the provincial party committee, chairman of the provincial people's committee, and deputy to the Seventh National Assembly; 2) Nguyen Xuan Hu

2) Tran Ngoc Khanh, deputy secretary of the provincial party committee and chairman of the provincial people's committee; 3) Dieu Ha Rot, standing member of the party committee and president of the women's union of Phuoc Long district, and member of the Chau Ma ethnic minority group.

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AUSTRALIA READY TO HELP UPGRADE INDONESIA MILITARY

BK261600 Jakarta Domestic Service in Indonesian 1500 GMT 26 Apr 87

## Wants Lower Tariff

BK260736 Melbourne Overseas Service in English 0430 GMT 26 Apr 87

[Text] The British foreign secretary



KBL CHARGES 'SECRET ACCORD' ON CPP, BASES

HK281057 Quezon City BUSINESS DAY in English 28 Apr 87 p 24

These vigilante groups, the PKP said, will most likely serve as the private armies of traditional politicians. The vigilantes will attack supporters and candidates who are anti-bases, the PKP claimed.

The LIC, the PKP said, is a strategy adopted by the U.S. which

The letter said the list should be submitted to JUSMAG by Oct. 20, 1986, Capulong said.

The letter also said the JUSMAG would then submit the shopping list to the U.S. Embassy not later than Oct. 31, 1986, for

AMBASSADOR CALLS NPA LETTER TO EMBASSIES 'FAKE'

HK281025 Quezon City BUSINESS DAY in English 28 Apr 87 p 22

SOVIET EMBASSY DENIES AIDING COMMUNIST REBELS

HK281021 Manila MANILA BULLETIN in English 28 Apr 87 pp 1, 15

"The deliberate magnifying of the scale of war in Kalinga-Apayao and Bulacan (Provinces) is essentially directed on impressing the U.S. Government of the potential dangers posed (by the insurgents) on the existing government. That is why the need for increased infusion of military assistance," said Satur Ocampo, former chief of the rebel panel in the failed peace talks with the government of President Cor

The fact of the matter is that military operations were launched therein by units of Regional Unified Command [RUC] 3 on the basis of verified intelligence information, resulting out of painstaking information-gathering and analysis conducted principally by the PC [Philippine Constabulary] Provincial Commander of Bulacan.

"As is now being

RAMOS APPEALS FOR HONEST, CREDIBLE ELECTIONS

HK231335 Manila MANILA BULLETIN in English 23 Apr 87 pp 1, 9

[By Isidro M. Roman]&lt;/

The AFP chief of staff spelled out the military's action program this year against the communist rebels after an overnight visit in Eastern Samar where he participated in combat patrols.

The program includes:

She said it was in this province where she saw so many malnourished children and she vowed to do something about it when the opportunity comes.

She reminded her audience, estimated at around 10,000, at the Paglaum Sports Complex, that among the things that her government promised and fulfilled was the dismantling of the sugar trading

In separate peace talks, Brig Gen Jesus dela Cruz, PC-INP [Philippine Constabulary-Integrated National Police] Region One chief, asked the candidates to sign the peace pact. The signing took place at the PC-INP provincial headquarters in Bulag, Bantay, and at the parish church of Candon.

Meeting for

















"Oriental Mindoro: (1st Dist.) -- Juan Beloncio II, Gamaliel Bongco, Renato Leviste, Paulino Magnaye, Antonio Quizon, Rodolfo Valencia.

"(2nd Dist.) -- Felipe Anastacio, Miguel Ansaldo Jr



























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